

State of Vermont
Agency of Natural Resources
Department of Environmental Conservation
Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion

Bellows Falls Water Department, WSID #5298
Bellows Falls, VT
Water System Improvements
DWSRF Loan RF3-308


In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program, the Bellows Falls Village Corporation, located in the Village of Bellows Falls, VT has requested its two newest water improvement project segments under the Phase II Water Infrastructure Improvement Project be evaluated for eligibility for a categorical exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

The third contract under the Phase II Water Infrastructure Improvement Project (Route 5 North Water Main Improvements, Contract 2015-1) consists of nearly 4,700 linear feet of transmission and distribution waterline replacement on Industrial Drive and Route 5 North between approximately Spencer Drive and Intec Lane. Waterline replacement on Hadley St., Chase Park, and Oak St. will be added via change order to the second contract (School Street and Henry Street Water Main Improvements project, Contract 2014-2).

Our consideration of the Bellows Falls Village Corporation's request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Dufresne Group Consulting Engineers. At the completion of this independent evaluation, the Department has determined the project meets the criteria for receiving a Categorical Exclusion. The project will correct water system deficiencies and does not meet any of the criteria resulting in denial of an exclusion.

Further information on the project and this determination are available for inspection by contacting the DWSRF Program at (802) 585-4905. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division's [Environmental Review Determination Notice](#) page.

Agency of Natural Resources
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David Mears, Commissioner

By 
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Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this 26th day of May, 2015